Servant Canticle

Refrain:

This is my servant, in whom I delight, my holy one, in whom I live. With him, forever, my spirit abides, that justice be brought to all nations.

- You are my covenant, light in the world, you have I called to give sight to the blind.
 Free those in prison, those living in fear and all who dwell deep in earth's shadows. *Refrain*
- You have I called says Yahweh our God who giving us breath gives shape to our lives. Justice shall thrive and the spirit of truth will move through the earth with compassion. *Refrain*
- Faithfully justice he brings to the earth, wavering not, firm in his choice.
 Ev'ry nation shall long for his peace, the far ends of earth search his presence. *Refrain*
- 4. He will not shout arrogantly, nor lift up his voice in the streets. He will not crush a reed that is bruised, nor put out a flame that wavers. *Refrain*
- His Spirit will thrive, says the Lord our God, and as he is lifted up, he shall draw all to himself, to rise up in new life forever. *Refrain*
- You may not see any beauty in him, disfigured you take him to be---transforming suffering through healing love, with choice he gives all of his spirit. *Refrain*
- 7. Beyond this death he shall rise in light, lifted above the earth.
 "I am the living one, with you I dwell as one who has shared your life fully." *Refrain*

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Servant Canticle (continued)

- 8. Out of the shadows of death and of pain will rise the faithful ones, who in their suff'ring acknowledge my name, a name they have borne as their own. *Refrain*
- Early each morning as night fades away, the stillness of dawn in my heart, my prayer comes to life as I waken to see that Yahweh, my hope, lives within me. *Refrain*
- 10. I reach for a song that is deep in my heart a song that will strengthen my hope: never to cease is the kindness of God, compassionate love shall surround me. *Refrain*
- Yahweh shall speak to those thirsting for life, those searching for love and for truth. Waiting in silence, I hear with my heart and sense, with deep joy, God's own Spirit. *Refrain*
- 12. Yahweh, I call to you from the deep of longing for new life to come; be with me now through this journey of night,I hope in your faithful love: free me. *Refrain*
- 13. I will raise up a shepherd who will lead you to pastures green; safely you'll live in the fertile land, with justice and peace as your harvest. *Refrain*
- 14. My people shall live no longer in fear, nor suffer from famine or greed; throughout the land with deep joy will they sing that Yahweh, with kindness, has blessed them. *Refrain*

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